Burlington Community Justice Center (BCJC) Citizens' Advisory Committee

5.19.16 Notes

Vision: A safe and resilient community where everyone is supported when crime and conflict occurs Mission: To create opportunities with the community to address the effects of crime and conflict

In attendance: Eileen Blackwood, Sara Giannoni, Debbie Thibault, Jan Wright

Absent: Bruce Bovat, Julian Portilla, Marija Valencak

Staff: Anneke Hohl

- 1. Started meeting without a quorum. Reviewed agenda. Noted a number of additional items, including update on revised bylaws (should go to City Council before end of June), getting meetings on City calendar (Anneke to contact Clerk Treasurer's Office), approval of appointment of Noelle MacKay as new CEDO Director, Community Justice Network of Vermont (CJNVT) legislative update, notes from crisis prevention community forum, JAG 16 solicitation, My Brother's Keeper Local Action Summit, budget presentation coming up on Tuesday, 5/24.
- 2. Reviewed notes. Approved once quorum was present.
- 3. Discussed nomination of new member, Liam Corcoran. Quorum achieved toward end of discussion. Reviewed discussion and nomination was achieved. Then went back and approved notes.
- 4. Reviewed FY17 goals and in-progress strategic planning document. Talked about accreditation process and need to review this further in future meeting(s). Discussed need for more restorative approaches/mediation in the community (both involving the City and between community members). Add goal of working over the next year to develop a plan/protocol and budget.
- 5. Christine Longmore joined the meeting to discuss her Community Circles with Law Enforcement proposal. Some background behind this proposal is idea of restorative processes with officers and CJC as a place where citizens can now submit complaints about police conduct. Suggested that Community Academy be required training for people doing this work. Also adding understanding and communicating about law enforcement practices and procedures to description/goals (relationship building). Some concern expressed about name of work in current proposal.
- 6. Moved review of job descriptions (along with corresponding accreditation standards) to next meeting.
- 7. Brief updates offered about new Pretrial Monitor, Juliet Dowling, starting Monday 5/23; summer RJ team intern starting week of 6/6; and COSA updates from Stuart.
- 8. Next Meeting is scheduled for 6.16.16 at 8:15 am.